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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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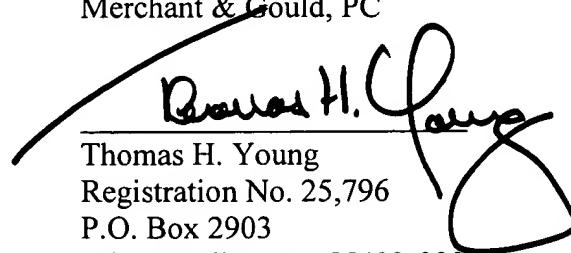
Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed March 14, 2002, said period of response being extended from three months to six months.

Our check in the amount of \$460.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted this 16th day of September, 2002.

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